

A GALLOWAY FLAIL.

The Awful Weapon Used by Scotsmen in Old Times.

The Galloway flail of old had a remarkable war weapon known as the Galloway flail. It seems to have been indigenous to this corner of Scotland, and in the traditions of the province it occupies a prominent place. The tide of battle has been turned on more than one occasion by the skillful manipulation of the Galloway flail. The handstaff was a tough ash sapling about five feet in length, and the soopie, the part for striking the barn floor when threshing, was made of iron, about four feet long, with three joints, equi-distant from each other. No swordsman could withstand attack with the flail. One stroke would shiver the sword to pieces and leave the unfortunate individual at the mercy of his opponent. Then the soopie with its iron joints would encircle its victim and crush him just as a boa-constrictor would.

An American Specialty.

Ice cream is cheaper in Europe than in America, but that sold in the saloons usually lacks the indefinable qualities that make it so attractive at home. A varied and recent experience with the ice creams of Europe induces the conclusion that only the "sorbetto" one gets on the Piazza of St. Marks in Venice approaches the delicious perfection of the ordinary every-day ice cream of America. Perhaps this is because the Venetians themselves eat ice cream, whereas in most other European cities it is regarded as an outlandish concoction, prepared only for the peculiar palate of the stranger. One occasionally finds a soda fountain in Europe, but the soda water, like the ice cream, is unsatisfactory. It is like that found in many of our own country towns; the drink is either froth without flavor, or flavor without fizz, or lukewarm, or something else equally disappointing. To be sure there are other drinks to be had. In England there are the peppery ginger ale, bottled lemonade, and various mineral waters, while on the Continent there is the everlasting sherbet. In Italy and other countries one can get perhaps half a dozen different fruit syrups, which are served in small quantities in large glasses, the water filling up the glass from the water bottle. The country folks of the north make various sorts of light beers from roots and herbs, but these cannot be had at public places in cities, as birch beer, root beer, sarsaparilla, and the like can be had in the United States. It must be remembered, however, that no other people on earth so persistently drench themselves with drinks, in all seasons and at all hours, as do Americans. Anything like the scene at a big soda fountain in any American town on a summer's day, is not to be found in any other country.

Honey as Food.

Honey has been known from the earliest times. The Scripture makes mention of it, and pagan writers celebrate its virtues. It was called "the milk of the aged," and was thought to prolong life. Honey was also used in the embalming of the body after death. This food, as useful as it is delicious, was esteemed most highly by the Greeks, who celebrated its virtues alike in prose and verse, so that the fame of Attic honey has been transmitted unimpaired to our own day. Used in all kinds of pastry, cake and ragouts, it was also esteemed as a sauce.

Pythagoras, in the latter portion of his life, was a vegetarian, and lived wholly on bread and honey, a diet which he recommended to his disciples. And this gentle philosopher reached the ripe old age of ninety years before he departed from life.

The true source from which honey is derived was only discovered in later years. Virgil supposed that its delicious sweetness fell from heaven upon flowers in the shape of gentle, invisible dew, a belief which he shared with Pliny and even Galen. It was left to modern observers to study with enthusiasm plant life and bee life, and learn from them some of the most wonderful lessons of nature.

Honey was often served by the ancients at the beginning of a banquet in order that the uncloyed palate enjoy to the full its exquisite flavor. It took the place that sugar occupied after the discoveries of the properties of the sugar cane, so that all conserves, cakes and beverages were dependent on honey for their sweetness. Apicius prepared it for seasoning purposes in this manner: Boil eight pounds of honey with one pint of wine, skim, add pepper, spikenard, saffron and dried dates. This mixture was kept in jars to use as occasions required.

Flight of the Pamunks.

A modern instance of an entire nation in search of eligible wives and husbands by the wholesale is furnished by the Pamunks, but little known, tribe of Pamunky Indians, living in eastern Virginia, who are indeed literally the "first families" (F. F. V's) of the Old Dominion, being lineal descendants of the true aborigines.

So blue and exclusive is the Pamunky blood, so unmixed through centuries with any other strain, that the tribe is dying out, and now feels the urgent need of a matrimonial alliance with some outsider stock in order to preserve the root. The detrimental effects of continued intermarriage between members of the same tribe have become alarming; but inasmuch as they scorn a union with their white as well as with their colored neighbors, they have decided upon heroic measures to restore their blood and save themselves from extinction.

Silicon Instead of Charcoal.

Men are composed chiefly of charcoal and water. As beings of this composition cannot exist in any heat great enough to set the charcoal on fire in spite of the water, the scientists are now speculating as to the possibilities of the hot stars being inhabited by animals with silicon substituted for charcoal. Silicon is sand, or at least it bears much the same relation to sand that carbon does to charcoal.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVORERS.

The Chicago Delegation Want the Headquarters in the Windy City.

Chicago, July 8.—A local paper says "Christian Endeavorers of Chicago, going to-day to the great convention of their society at Boston, will take with them the hopes and prayers that the headquarters of the society be changed from Boston to Chicago. Francis Clarke made the society a possibility in Boston, but its membership and usefulness to the young people of the whole country has increased to that extent that more central headquarters are needed. Boston, it is said, is neither in close touch with the South, North nor far West. Christian Endeavorers are weak in the South and westward to the slope. The membership is small in both sections and there is a growing feeling that with headquarters in Chicago the society would become truly national in scope and easily extend its domain in the cotton fields and the mining and fruit country."

CUBA'S INSURRECTION.

Spain's Premier Says Bad Weather Has Hindered Decisive Operations.

Paris, July 8.—The Gaulois to-day publishes an interview with the Spanish Premier, Senor Canovas del Castillo, in which the latter is quoted as saying that the climate of Cuba has prevented decisive operations against the insurgents. The Premier added, according to the Gaulois, that the rebellion was entirely the work of foreign adventurers; but he was glad to say that the insurgent supplies of arms and ammunition, coming chiefly from the United States and neighboring countries, had diminished owing to the correct and energetic action of the United States government.

OCCURRED IN CHICAGO.

The Windy City Has Still its Former Wild and Woolly Characteristics.

Chicago, July 8.—In true western desperado style, a man supposed to be C. E. Cole, assaulted and attempted to rob P. G. McGloin, in his saloon at 64 Adams street, in the heart of the business district of Chicago last evening. After seriously wounding McGloin, the thief escaped and made the most remarkable race for liberty ever seen in the streets of Chicago. After firing into the mob that pursued him and seriously wounding three citizens, he was run down and killed by Officer Rosenthal opposite the entrance of the Auditorium on Congress street.

ALIX.

Her Trainer Out With a Sweeping Challenge to Horsemen.

La Crosse, Wis., July 8.—Andy McDowell, trainer of Alix, has issued the following challenge: "As certain parties owning fast trotters have circulated reports that Alix is badly out of condition, and will not be able to equal or beat her record of this season, I hereby offer to match her against any trotter in the world for \$5,000 a side, the race to be trotted on any first-class track after her present engagements have been fulfilled. Furthermore, Alix will enter her in a race with any other three trotters at \$5,000 a corner, the winner to take all."

DEATH ON THE RAIL.

Three Men Killed by Railway Trains Last Evening.

Angola, N. Y., July 9.—An unknown man was struck by a Lake Shore engine near Pike's Crossing last evening, breaking his leg and fracturing his skull. He died without regaining consciousness. The only means of identification is a scrap of paper bearing the address J. J. Riley, Rochester, N. Y.

Estfield, N. Y., July 9.—At Shanghai, two men, F. A. Haviland and W. A. Ellis, were killed last night while crossing a track in a light buggy. Haviland runs a milk route and Ellis was his brother-in-law. Both were married men.

THE FAIR WILL.

Offers Made to Return It for a Large Monetary Consideration.

San Francisco, July 9.—A local paper says the administrators of the Fair state have been approached by a detective with an offer to return the stolen will for a large monetary consideration. The administrators say several offers to return the will have been made which they were at first inclined to entertain, but Judge Slack refused to sanction such a transaction.

AN AWFUL FIRE.

Two Thousand Persons Homeless and Two Hundred and Thirty Houses Burned.

St. Petersburg, July 9.—Fire has destroyed 230 houses in the town of Sam-prow, government of Lomsha, Poland. Two thousand persons are rendered homeless by the conflagration.

FORTY KILLED.

A Calisson of a Big Bridge Collapses at Nagehamed.

Alexandria, July 8.—A calisson of the big bridge now building at Nagehamed by a French firm, collapsed to-day and forty workmen perished.

Well-Known Woman Dead.

Bristol, Pa., July 8.—Mrs. Helen Gilson, wife of B. F. Gilson, Republican State chairman and State Banking Commissioner, died at her country home near here yesterday of nervous prostration. Deceased was 49 years old.

Making the Valkyrie.

Glasgow, July 8.—Valkyrie III. was towed to Meadowside this morning in order to be decked and fitted out for the voyage to New York. Captain Cranfield, her commander, says he hopes to be ready to start on July 13.

The Steamer Washtena Safe.

San Francisco, July 8.—The steamer Washtena, which was reported wrecked in the Straits of Magellan, has arrived here. She brought a cargo of rails from New York for the San Francisco and San Joaquin Valley railroad.

Burglars at West Point.

West Point, N. Y., July 8.—Burglars attempted to rob one of the officers' houses on the row south of the old admet hospital about 2 o'clock yesterday morning. A sentinel fired two shots at them, but they escaped.

Marie Burroughs Refused a Divorce.

San Francisco, July 8.—Judge Troutt has denied the application of Marie Burroughs, the actress, for a divorce from her husband, Louis Massen.

VANDERBILTS IN CONTROL.

GOT THE TORONTO, HAMILTON AND BUFFALO.

The Line Will be Operated by the Canadian Pacific From Toronto to Buffalo and From Waterford to Welland by the Vanderbilt Interests—Solid Trains to Run From New York to Toronto via Hamilton.

New York, July 9.—A local paper has the following: The deal by which the Vanderbilt interests are to get control of the new Toronto, Hamilton and Buffalo railroad has been put through. Representatives of the New York Central, Michigan Central, Canadian Pacific and Toronto, Hamilton and Buffalo met at the Grand Central station and signed the traffic arrangement contract.

According to the provisions of the deal the Canadian Pacific will operate the line from Toronto to Buffalo as soon as it is completed. The rest of the Toronto, Hamilton and Buffalo system, consisting of a line from Waterford to Welland, will be operated by the Vanderbilt interests. The Canadian Pacific will have the privilege of running direct to the Grand Central station over the New York Central tracks and will put on solid trains from Toronto to New York city via Hamilton.

ELKHORN MINERS.

The Situation is Improving—No Troops Ordered Out.

Charleston, W. Va., July 9.—The expected orders for troops to go to Elkhorn to quell the miners' disturbance there have not been issued, as the situation is much more favorable. Sheriff Effler wired Governor McCorkle from Elkhorn as follows:

"I have been over and heard from most of the coal fields. Everything seems perfectly quiet. Seventy-seven men went to work at Lick Bank colliery in perfect peace. No one was there to say anything to them. Pulaski Iron Company is working 100 men. Everything quiet here. Will go up to North Ford to-day, where there are mine operations, and will wire you more fully."

The Governor received the following dispatch from his private secretary, Captain White, who is at Elkhorn: "Everything quiet. Your telegrams have had very marked effect upon the situation, and this, together with heavy rain falling, results in keeping all the strikers in doors."

The Governor is very much gratified at the improvement in the situation, and does not apprehend further trouble at present.

DILLON SUBSIDIZED.

Healy Accuses Him of Selling North and South Tyrone.

Londonderry, July 9.—At the nationalist convention at Omagh, county Tyrone, Mr. T. M. Healy, amid great excitement, accused Mr. John Dillon of selling Tyrone to the English party. He read a letter from the Hon. Edward Blake to Privy Councillor Dickson, informing him that the nationalists federation would be unable in future to subsidize North and South Tyrone or North and South Londonderry which he asked should be subsidized henceforth in the sum of 200 pounds yearly by the Liberals.

The then government whip, Mr. Thomas E. Ellis, consented to this on the understanding that the seats designated were to be considered Liberal and not home rule seats.

The reading of this letter caused consternation among the delegates, who shouted "Sold, sold."

Mr. Dillon, in reply to Mr. Healy was drowned in the di but he finally succeeded in shouting out loud enough to be heard: "What you state is an infamous and calumnious lie. You are a traitor. You read a private letter in public."

Another tremendous uproar followed, and finally the nonsectarian candidates were accepted.

MURDERER HANGED.

Daniel Werling Pays the Penalty of His Crime at Pittsburgh.

Pittsburg, July 9.—Daniel Werling was hanged at 10.50 a. m. Werling's crime was one of the most deliberate in the murder history of the country. He was a shiftless individual, addicted to drunken carousals, while his wife, Barbara, kept a stand in the Diamond market, from the profits of which she supported the family. On account of personal indignities and abuse, Mrs. Werling had her husband sent to the workhouse for six months. This so incensed him that he threatened to kill her upon the expiration of his sentence. When released April 17, 1894, his first act was to purchase a revolver and cartridges, drink several glasses of beer and then, proceeding to his wife's place of business, deliberately shot her twice, killing her almost instantly. His trial quickly followed, resulting in a conviction of murder in the first degree. An unsuccessful attempt was made to save Werling on the ground that he had been rendered insane by having taken the Keely treatment.

CANADA'S CABINET CRISIS.

French Conservatives and the Government Party Excited Over It.

Montreal, Que., July 9.—French Conservative politicians in this city are so upset at the turn of affairs at Ottawa and the rumored resignation of three of their ministers that they will not express themselves on the situation. They are yet anxiously waiting news from the capital.

Quebec, July 9.—Sir Mackenzie Bowell's private secretary paid a visit to Quebec yesterday. The result is that Lord Aberdeen, Governor General of Canada, started in a special car last night for Ottawa. His hurried return is undoubtedly in connection with the cabinet crisis at Ottawa. He had intended going into the Lake St. John district for a vacation.

Suicide of a Murderer.

New York, July 9.—James McAvoy, of 349 East Eighty-third street, who shot his wife at her home on Saturday night, from the effects of which she died last night, committed suicide this morning by jumping in front of a Third avenue elevated train at Fifty-ninth street. He was being taken to the coroner's office in charge of a policeman.

A Fatal Mistake.

Liberty, N. Y., July 8.—Curtis L. Flisk, a prominent grocer and G. A. R. man, of this place, mistook a door in the darkness at his home last evening and fell twelve feet into a cellar. He was instantly killed.

FIERCE FOREST FIRES RAGE.

NORTH MCKEON IN THE THROES OF THE GREATEST EVER WITNESSED.

Farms and Farm Houses on All Sides Threatened and the Farmers Have Turned Out in a Body to Check the Flames—Many Acres of Crops Reduced to Ashes—Valuable Lumber Burned—Unless Rain Comes the Damage Will be Enormous.

Detroit, July 10.—A special to the Tribune from Muskogean says: The city of North Muskogean and vicinity is in the throes of the greatest forest fires ever witnessed here, and hourly the danger become greater as the flames creep along with astonishing rapidity. Farm houses and extensive crops are threatened on all sides, and the farmers have turned out in a body to check the flames. It will be almost fruitless, however, as already over five square miles are one mass of flames, and the dense smoke makes a battle with the fire almost fruitless, however, as already over five square miles are one mass of flames, and the dense smoke makes a battle with the fire almost impossible. Word has reached the city of the burning of Albert Van Zandt's saw mill, a large quantity of logs, shingles and lumber, amounting to several thousand dollars. It is reported that many acres of crops have already been reduced to ashes. Many farm houses cannot escape the flames. Unless rains come soon no one can tell what the damage will be.

Alpena, Mich., July 10.—Forest fires have been raging in this vicinity for the last ten days and much valuable timber has been destroyed. The farm buildings of John Hammond, northeast of here, were burned yesterday, spreading the flames in all directions. Most of the streams and wells are dry and no water is to be had. Telephone wires are down and it is impossible to get news from the country. It is reported that the buildings on the farm of Representative Cathro, at Bolton, have been destroyed.

EPWORTH LEAGUE MEETING.

The German Branch Holding a Convention in Chicago.

Chicago, July 10.—The German branch of the Epworth League is holding its sixth annual convention in this city. Delegates from different States are represented at the meeting and the convention will continue for several days. The local members of the league are entertaining the visiting delegates.

President Nagler's report showed the league to be in a flourishing condition. The total membership of the ten States is 14,356. After the President's report had been read members of the various chapters gave two-minute talks on the condition of their local chapters.

To-day the delegates convened at 9 a. m. Vice-President G. E. Hiller, of Covington, Ky., presided. The Rev. F. A. Alert, of Milwaukee, conducted the devotional services. Addresses were delivered by J. Kern, of Grand Rapids, Mich.; F. Munse, of Mount Pleasant, Ohio; O. Niederhaut, Gladbrook, Iowa, and the Rev. Charles Hedler, of Milwaukee.

MUST SHOW CAUSE.

An Order Granted Affecting the New Order of the K. of P.

Detroit, Mich., July 10.—Litigation resulting from the secession of German members of the Knights of Pythias was begun yesterday, when Philip T. Colgrave, of Hastings, Mich., Supreme Vice-Chancellor of the order, filed suit in the Circuit Court against the projectors of the New Improved Order of the Knights of Pythias, who are now holding their adjourned meeting here. The regular Order of Knights of Pythias seeks by this means to enjoin the seceders from continuing operations as Knights of Pythias. An order was issued by the court requiring the dissenters to show cause why they should not be restrained from using the name, ritual, badges, etc., or anything which was originally authorized by or was the property of the Knights of Pythias.

THE STANFORD ESTATE.

Assistant District Attorney McKissic to Fight the Case Against It.

San Francisco, July 10.—Special Assistant District Attorney McKissic said relative to Attorney-General Harmon's order to appeal the Stanford case: "I propose to stand on the original bill and not amend it. The United States Circuit Court of Appeals is about to adjourn until October 1, but possibly a special session can be arranged. Both sides are eager to have the matter decided. If the judgment of Judge Ross is sustained, I can appeal to the United States Supreme Court. If Judge Ross is revoked, Mrs. Stanford will then be compelled to answer the complaint, and I can proceed at once to the taking of testimony."

BOY INSTANTLY KILLED.

Another Was Showing Him How a Rifle Worked and It Was Discharged.

Oneonta, July 9.—Seymour Smith, aged 16, son of S. G. Smith, of Plainfield, N. J., owner of the Union Tea Packing Company, 127 and 129 Water street, New York, was shot and instantly killed at Hartwick late Monday afternoon. He was visiting his grandfather, L. R. Proctor, and was in bathing with a few other boys. Fred Sternberg, who had been shooting frogs, came along and began showing how his repeating rifle worked. The gun was discharged and Smith was shot. The ball entering his left breast below the nipple. Coroner Blodgett, of Cooperstown, will hold an inquest. Mrs. P. C. Gilchrist is an aunt of the deceased.

MORGAN'S BANK REOPENS.

This Action Due to the Ulster County Bank Which Has a Surplus.

New York, July 10.—A special from Binghamton last night says: "Morgan's Bank, under the name of the Chenango Valley Savings Bank, the closing of which disclosed a defalcation of \$200,000, will reopen with a new board of directors. The bank will at once pay a dividend of 5 per cent. and hopes to pay its indebtedness in full. This action is due to the Ulster County Bank, whose depositors allowed their money to remain, instead of drawing the dividends and thus earning the balance."

AWFUL RAILWAY ACCIDENT.

MANY WERE KILLED ON THE GRAND TRUNK.

One Section of a Train Containing Pilgrims to the Shrine of St. Anne DeBeaupre Crashes Into Another—The Rear Coach Was Smashed Into Kindling Wood—Only the Conductor of the Coach Escaped.

Quebec, July 9.—A terrible accident occurred at 3 o'clock this morning at Craigs Road Station on the Grand Trunk railway about fourteen miles west of Leeds.

A very large pilgrimage from Sherbrooke, Windsor Mills and Richmond had left the latter town about 10 o'clock last evening for the shrine of St. Anne De Beaupre. There were two sections of the train, one running a few minutes behind the other. The first section was standing at the Craigs Road Station taking water when the second section, passing the semaphore, dashed into the rear Pullman coach of the first section, smashing it to kindling wood, and killing, it is said, everybody in that car except the Pullman conductor, who jumped.

Engineer McLeod and Fireman Perkins, of the second section, were killed outright.

The Pullman coach was telescoped into the first-class cars of the first section, killing a number of passengers riding in them. Among the killed are three priests.

The number killed is now placed at twenty-five and the number injured at thirty-four. The dead and injured will be taken to Leeds at noon, when their names will be ascertained.

Montreal, July 9.—The officials of the Grand Trunk railway report that the number of killed in the Craigs Road disaster is but 13, and that 29 is the number of the injured.

In the first heat for the Stewards' Challenge Cup, for 1898, the crew of the London Rowing Club defeated the crew of the Argonaut Rowing Club, of Toronto, Canada.

Up to this moment the death list is as follows: Charles Bedars, mail clerk; Miss Bedars, his daughter; Hector McLeod, Charles Cayer, all of Danville, Va.; Rev. Father J. Mercier, Rev. Mr. Cogan, all of Richmond; Rev. Mr. Digan, of Windsor Mills; Miss Valin and her aunt, name unknown, St. Joseph De Levis; Miss Thausert, St. Joseph De Levis; Mrs. Caye, Danville; the two Misses De Lycurte, of Shefford; John O'Farrell, Richmond.

The wounded, and taken to Quebec for treatment, are as follows: John Cadieu, J. P. Cayer, Seraphim Cayer, Joseph Cayer, Louise Cayer, all of Danville, Virginia; Sylvester, Hans; Mrs. Francis Tontaine, Broughton; Louise Godette, Athabaskaville; Patrick McHugh, Copleton; Rev. Father T. Desrosier, cure of Broughton; Pierre St. Louis, cure of Broughton; Antonio Barle, Athabaskaville; J. J. Quinlan, traveling passenger agent, Montreal.

CORBETT-FITZSIMMONS.

The Sale of Tickets for the Big Fight to Begin To-Morrow.

Dallas, Tex., July 9.—The headquarters of the Florida Athletic Club has been removed from the North Texas National Bank building on Main street to the old Merchants' Exchange, on commerce street, where the sale of tickets for the meeting of Corbett and Fitzsimmons will begin at 10 a. m. Wednesday. The price of seats will be as follows: Box with five chairs, \$200, or \$40 per chair; reserved seats, \$20; general admission \$10. The sale of seats will begin in New York, St. Louis, Chicago and other cities as soon as copies of the diagram can reach them.

Austrian Texas July 9.—Attorneys representing the Dallas management of the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight called on the Attorney-General to-day in reference to the constitutionality of the law prohibiting prize fights in this State. They have written opinions from Hon. George R. Clark, of Waco, and Hon. William Crawford, of Dallas, holding that the law is unconstitutional.

PLANNING REVOLUTION.

General Ezeta Plotting to Overthrow the Present Government of San Salvador.

San Francisco, July 9.—A local paper says: General Antonio Ezeta, ex-President of San Salvador, who has resided in this city several months, is preparing to return to his native land and overthrow the government. Ezeta says he has chartered a vessel, has bought arms, cartridges and other munitions of war, and has prepared to go to Salvador in a short time to take by force the authority which he claims rightly belongs to him. He desires for obvious reasons to keep secret where his vessel was chartered or loaded, as it might be detained if it has not already sailed, and his plans thus be thwarted. But of the fact that he has engaged a vessel and that he has purchased arms and ammunition he does not hesitate to speak. Within a month, he says, he expects to be installed as president of San Salvador.

MILES FOR HER HEALTH.

Mrs. Kobbes, in Knickerbockers, Will Wheel to California.

Poughkeepsie, July 9.—Mrs. M. L. Kobbes, who is both young and of refined appearance, and a companion left the Nelson House on bicycles yesterday on their way to California. Mrs. Kobbes says she is not making the journey on a wages, but for the benefit of her health. She will travel by easy stages, and does not expect to arrive at her destination before September. She says she lives in New York.

Mrs. Kobbes wore knickerbockers, woolen stockings and a blouse.

GLADSTONE'S ADDRESS.

He Says Vindicate the Rights of the House of Commons.

London, July 9.—The Westminster Gazette this afternoon publishes the following message from Mr. Gladstone addressed to the Liberals of London: "Hawarden, July 5.—Above all other purposes, vindicate the rights of the House of Commons as the organ of the nation and establish the honor of England as well as consolidate the strength of the empire by conceding the just constitutional claims of Ireland."

Another Plot Against the Czar.

London, July 9.—The Journal de St. Petersburg reports the discovery of an extensive plot at Moscow against the life of the Czar. Eight attorneys for conspiracy in the conspiracy have been made. Among those accused are six men well known as nihilists.

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